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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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IMPACT OF GLOBALISATION ON HEALTH SECTOR
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has done a comprehensive study and assess the impact of globalisation on health sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE(SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)&(b): No, Sir. However, WHO with the help of Apollo Health Street Ltd. has done a study on Cross-Border Trade in Health Services - (E-health). The Report gives the essential ingredients and implications of Globalization of Trade Agreements (GATS) with relation to Mode 1, namely cross-border trade. The broad areas of the study included inter-alia, the policy and strategic framework, the legal framework, the human resource framework, the technology framework, the financial framework and status of cross border trade, all of which have an impact on the progress of the initiative taken.